

**Joseph A. Holmes Safety Association
2006 Scholarship Program
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PURPOSE

The Joseph A. Holmes Safety Association endeavors to promote health and safety within the mining industry. We believe that providing financial aid to students in the pursuit of education related to mining safety will result in safer mines and healthier environments within the mining industry. To that end, we have instituted this Scholarship Program and formed the Scholarship Evaluation Committee.

SCOPE

This scholarship program shall be open to persons currently employed or who are pursuing careers in the mining industry, safety and health fields. Scholarship awards are available in the following categories:

1. High school graduates (or “graduating seniors”)
2. Undergraduate students currently enrolled in a college or university.
3. Graduates of a college or university.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Each applicant must satisfy each of the following criteria:

1. Must have been accepted by an accredited college or university or currently enrolled at an accredited college or university in a degree program in mine safety, occupational or industrial health and safety, industrial hygiene, safety management or other related safety programs.
2. Must provide a transcript of grades for the last 3 years of completed education (i.e. high school or college level).

3. Must complete the Financial Disclosure Information section to verify financial status and expenses of all persons living in the applicant's household.
4. Must submit a 100-200 word essay on "why I want to study for a degree or pursue a career in the mine safety field."
5. Must complete the Survey of Extracurricular Activities.
6. Must submit two to three letters of recommendation (one academic, one personal and one from the mining community, if able).
7. Must complete the application and submit it with the required attachments by **May 1, 2006 (extended from April 1, 2006)**. The mailing address is:

Joseph A. Holmes Scholarship Program
% Pat Hurley, Secretary/Treasurer
P. O. Box 9375
Arlington, VA 22219

RATING THE APPLICATION

To preserve the impartiality in the review process, each application shall be copied and given an identification number by the officially designated member of the Scholarship for Mining Committee. The designated member shall obliterate all references to names, schools, location or other identifying information on the copies of the application for use by the Committee. At no time shall any of the obliterated information be made known until the review process is completed and the awardee(s) identified.

Each member of the committee shall evaluate each of the applications and affix a numerical rating according to provided criteria.

EVALUATION SCHEDULE

The committee Chairperson shall convene the committee not later than 30 days prior to the date of the Annual Meeting of the National Holmes Safety Association each year (usually in June) for the purpose of selecting the successful applicant(s). All applicants will receive consideration without regard to race, color, sex, age, national origin, religion or disability. Successful applicants will be notified by July 15, 2006.

To receive an application for the Holmes Safety Association Scholarship Program, please see our web site at www.msha.gov or send a note to Joseph A Holmes Scholarship Program, % Secretary/Treasurer, P.O. Box 9375, Arlington, VA 22219.

Joseph A. Holmes Safety Association Scholarship Application

(All information given will be held in strict confidence.)

Applicant Category:

_____ High School Graduate
(Graduating Senior)

_____ Undergraduate
Students

_____ Graduate
Students

Name _____
Last First Middle Initial

Address _____

Telephone (_____) _____
Area Code

(Please give a telephone number where you can be reached during the summer months)

Telephone (_____) _____
Area Code

Parent/Guardian Name (if 18 or younger) _____

Address _____

Telephone (_____) _____
Area Code

Educational Background

High School _____

Address _____

Telephone (_____) _____
Area Code

List the College or University where you have been accepted if you are currently in high school, or list the Colleges or Universities where you have attended if you are currently in college.

School _____

Address _____

Degree _____

Telephone (_____) _____
Area code

School_____

Address_____

Degree_____

Telephone (_____) _____
Area Code

Reminder: You must provide a transcript of grades for the last 3 years of completed education (i.e. high school or college level).

School Authority Endorsement

(for graduating high school senior only)

Applicant's Class Rank_____ Number in graduating
class_____

Applicant's Grade point average_____

Comments:_____

School Official's Signature_____

Title _____ Date_____

Survey of Extracurricular Activities

List civic, community and school extracurricular activities and the extent of your participation:

	ACTIVITY	OFFICE HELD	YEARS INVOLVED
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			

Financial Disclosure Information

1. Are you now receiving or have you been notified that you will receive financial aid, academic or sports scholarships, Pell Grants, or other assistance that will **not** require repayment when you have finished your degree: _____Yes _____No
(If yes, please answer the following questions)

A. What is the dollar amount of that assistance?

Line #1 _____

B. Number of years that assistance will be provided? _____

2. Number of persons in household? _____ Number employed? _____
3. Total adjusted gross household income from all sources. Line #2 \$ _____
(IRS Form 1040/line 31 or IRS Form 1040-A/line 16)
4. All other income, taxed or untaxed. Line #3 \$ _____
(Include social security, vocational rehabilitation, welfare, etc.)
5. Total income from all sources (Sum of Lines #1, #2 and #3) \$ _____
6. Are either of your parents deceased? _____ Yes _____ No
7. Do you have family members that require special care that impacts your ability to receive financial support from your family? _____ Yes _____ No
(If yes, please explain) _____

8. Have you submitted an application for a Holmes Safety Scholarship in the past?
_____ Yes _____ No
If yes, how many times? _____ How many have you won? _____

Additional Comments:

Student Declaration Statement

I hereby declare that I have read this application as completed and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information and answers given are complete and correct.

Date _____ Applicant's Signature _____

Parent Declaration Statement

(if applicant is 18 or younger)

I hereby declare that I have read this application as completed and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information and answers given are complete and correct.

Date _____ Parent/Guardian
Signature _____

Application deadline is May 1, 2006 (extended from April 1, 2006).

In order to provide adequate time for the evaluation committee to evaluate the applications, any application received after this date will not be considered.

Be sure you submit the completed three-page application along with all the Application Requirements including attaching a transcript of grades for the last three years of completed education, a 100-200 word essay on “why I want to study for a degree or pursue a career in the mine safety field,” and your two or three letters of recommendation.